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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of December 16, 2002 (Paper No. 9). Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11-13.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A pet toy for entertaining an animal and providing jaw exercise, teeth cleaning and/or gum massaging for the animal, said pet toy comprising:

an elongated hollow body, having an outer peripheral surface, extending along a longitudinal axis and having first and second ends and a side wall of substantially constant cross-section throughout; and

a plurality of longitudinally spaced pairs of annular ribs extending around said outer peripheral surface to facilitate the animal gripping said pet toy with its teeth, [each said pairs of ribs defining a first narrow groove therebetween and adjacent pairs of ribs defining a second wider

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